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/   Note: In September 1945 the Central Government Executive Yuan ordered provincial governments to stop the collection of a special land tax, the Hu Sha Fei (護沙費) (used in the payment of rice paddy guards). The Kwangtung Provincial Government did not re-issue the order and continued collection of the tax under supervision of Governor LO Cho-ying. LI Chieh-wen was suspected to be the leader in graft activities in connection with the collection of this tax./

1. The graft case against LI Chieh-wen has been dropped because Governor LO Cho-ying was involved and received shares of the graft.

2. Proceedings to impeach Governor LO Cho-ying have probably been stopped, also, as nothing more has been heard of the case, and there has been no mention of it in the Canton press.

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       Note: The amount of money involved in the graft was four billion rather than forty billion, as previously reported.)

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